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For: DETECTION OF DYSPLASTIC OR NEOPLASTIC CELLS USING ANTI-MCM2
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Sir:

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Responsive to the Official Action dated June 16, 2004, entry and consideration of the following remarks are requested.

Claims 88, 89, 101, 102, 104, 105 and 107-111 are pending.

Claims 88, 89, 101, 102, 104, 105 and 107-111 have been rejected as allegedly having been obvious, under Section 103, in view of Werness et al. (Laboratory Investigation, Volume 76, No. 1, page 185A, March 1997, Abstract No. 1089) and Dunton (WO 97/16731).

Claims 88, 89, 101, 102, 104, 105 and 107-111 have been rejected as allegedly having been obvious, under Section 103, in view of Todorov et al. (Laboratory Investigation, January 1998, Vol. 78, No. 1, pages 73-78) and Dunton (WO 97/16731).